

NURSING NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



NATIONAL

ANNOUNCEMENT.—Owing to ill health and an enforced absence from a permanent address, Sarah E. Sly, secretary of the Associated Alumnae, announces that she does not wish her name used for renomination for the office of secretary for next year, should the affiliated societies contemplate such a procedure.

THE CONVENTION PROGRAM.—Agnes G. Deans, 247 Farnsworth Street, Detroit, has been appointed chairman of the Program Committee for the Minneapolis meeting to succeed Sara E. Parsons. Grace Baker, of Des Moines, Iowa, has also been appointed a member of this committee. In December, personal letters were sent by the assistant secretary to all affiliated associations asking for suggestions of topics and speakers for the program. It is very important that *all* associations give this immediate attention and coöperate with the committee in the preparation of a good program for early publication in the JOURNAL.

SARAH E. SLY, Secretary.

THE GUILD OF ST. BARNABAS.—The Guild of St. Barnabas for Nurses held its annual council at St. Louis, November 11 and 12, 1908. While many branches were unable to be represented from eastern towns owing to the long distance, those who had the good fortune to be present were well rewarded by the heartiness of the hospitality, and the usual inspiration that is derived from these gatherings. The United Benevolent Offering will be continued towards the support of a nurse in the mission field. The nurse at present is Agnes Bolster, working at "The Mission of Our Saviour," Tanana, Alaska. She sent through the general secretary a list of her needs and desires which will in turn be passed on to each branch, in the hope that each item will be appropriated and supplied in turn. A request for the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING every month, and the money for a small organ has already been complied with most gladly, and without doubt the rest will follow. The election of officers resulted in the re-election of all: *Chaplain general*, The Right Rev. Cortlandt Whitehead, Bishop of Pittsburgh; *secretary general*, Mrs. Wm. Read Howe, Orange, N. J.; *general treasurer*, Mrs. B. B. Van Harlingen, Philadelphia, Pa.

REPORT OF HOSPITAL ECONOMICS COURSE AT TEACHERS' COLLEGE

CONTRIBUTIONS TO ENDOWMENT FUND

Previously acknowledge, June, 1908.....	\$8,168.30
Anna L. Alline	3.00
Nurses of Colorado	49.10
Maine General Hospital Alumnae.....	50.00
Graduate Nurses' Association of New Hampshire.....	100.00
Graduate Nurses' Association of Indiana	100.00
Presbyterian Hospital Alumnae	25.00
Members of Baltimore City Hospital Alumnae (through Mrs. W. L. Nichols)	19.00

Methodist Episcopal Hospital Alumnae, Brooklyn.....	\$50.00
Church Home and Infirmary, Baltimore.....	10.00
Garfield Hospital Alumnae	50.00
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Mrs. J. D. Goldman, through M. C. Bean	5.00
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North Carolina State Nurses' Association	25.00
New York State School for Training Nurses, Prospect Heights Hos- pital, Brooklyn	25.00
Philadelphia County Nurses' Association	25.00
Virginia State Nurses' Association (through S. H. Cabaniss).....	37.50
Women's Auxiliary of Paterson General Hospital (New Jersey).....	25.00
	\$9,243.40

FOR CURRENT EXPENSES

New York Hospital Alumnae	\$25.00
Lottie Bushnell	100.00
New York State Nurses' Ass'n	150.00

The students have found their work of the last two months exceedingly interesting and Miss Wald's course of lectures entirely delightful. Three of these were given at the college, and the fourth at the settlement, where, after Miss Wald had talked to the students of certain phases of the work, they were in the most generous and instructive way shown the settlement houses and something of the many social activities which they represent.

Other speakers following Miss Wald have been Mrs. Florence Kelley, of the National Consumers' League, who spoke on wage-earning children, and Miss Winifred Gibbs, visiting dietitian of the Association for the Improvement of the Condition of the Poor.

The last lecture on these subjects will be by Miss Elizabeth Farrell, who will speak on the Problem of the Defective Child in the Public School.

During these two months the students have had the most covetable opportunity of listening weekly to Mr. Devine in his course on Social Economy.

Some excursions of special interest were those made to Ellis Island, where the newly arrived immigrant gets his first look into the great crucible in which he is later to be transformed into an American citizen; to the Budget Exhibit arranged by the Bureau of Municipal Research, where special guidance and explanation was given to our students; and to three hospitals, St. Luke's, the Woman's and the Presbyterian, where they were in all instances most cordially received. Miss Maxwell's courtesy, in giving up an entire afternoon to accompanying our students about the hospital, and explaining its system and methods, was greatly appreciated.

The lectures on Architecture have been made especially valuable this year by arranging for some of them to be given at Fordham and Bellevue Hospitals, where, under the guidance of the architect and the superintendent of training schools, Miss Goodrich, a practical demonstration could be made of many interesting and important features of hospital planning and construction.

The International Tuberculosis Exhibition, which has been moved from Washington to New York, was opened recently, and is housed at the Museum of Natural History, near enough to the college to enable the students to visit it frequently and give it the careful study which it requires.—M. ADELAIDE NUTTING.

MASSACHUSETTS

BOSTON.—THE BOSTON NURSES' CLUB held its first social for the season on the evening of November 24. On entering, the guests were seated at tables provided with scissors, paste and old illustrated papers and magazines, and each was given a book entitled "Vacation Days" containing a series of incidents of an imaginary vacation, which she was required to illustrate with appropriate pictures. Much merriment resulted, and many of the books were very clever. Afterwards "Courtship in the Vegetable Kingdom" held the company's attention for a while, and music and refreshments rounded out an enjoyable evening. At the regular quarterly business meeting of the "Club," on December 7, it was voted to use the customary Christmas offering in the same way as last year, *i.e.*, in providing some Christmas cheer for children who otherwise would have little, lists of children and their needs to be furnished by the school nurses. It was also voted that the "Club" show its interest in the anti-tuberculosis movement by purchasing a quantity of Red Cross Stamps, to be used on its official mail.

THE CUSHING HOSPITAL ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its first meeting on December 1, a large number of graduates being present. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Margaret E. Coyle; treasurer, May E. Trainor; secretary, Mary G. MacDonald. The second meeting was held at Cushing Hospital, December 24.

THE NEW ENGLAND BAPTIST HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL graduating exercises were held on December 15, at the First Baptist Church. Dr. Hugh Cabot made the address to the nurses and Colonel Edward H. Haskell presented the diplomas. The graduates were: Christine England, Carin S. Bergstrand, Bertha M. Zellers, Esther E. Wyatt, and Clara C. Johnstone.

DR. ROWE, after resuming his duties as superintendent at the Boston City Hospital, has been obliged to resign his position permanently by the advice of his physician.

MISS HOGLE AND MISS IRVING have resigned their positions at the Somerville Hospital after nine years of service. The trustees and staff made a loyal and beautiful recognition of what they have accomplished for the hospital.

NEW YORK

NEW YORK CITY.—*International Tuberculosis Exhibition, Meetings and Conferences.*—The New York section, under the auspices of the Committee on the Prevention of Tuberculosis of the Charity Organization Society, is being held at the American Museum of Natural History, Columbus Avenue and Seventy-ninth Street, from November 30 to January 15. The exhibit is open daily from 10 A.M. until 11 P.M. and on Sundays from 1 to 5 P.M. The special nurses' session will be held on Monday, January 4. Annie Damer, R.N., president of the Nurses' Associated Alumnae will preside. The program has been arranged by Elsie T. Patterson of the Vanderbilt Clinic and Geneveive Wilson, St. Luke's Hospital. (We were misinformed last month in stating that the program was under the direction of Miss Goodrich and Miss Nutting.) Sessions will be held at 3 P.M. and at 8.30 P.M. in the Assembly Hall. The following program has been announced.

Afternoon. "Control of Tuberculosis through the School Children," Dr. John J. Cronin, chief of Bureau of Child Hygiene, Department of Health; "A Day Camp for Consumptives," Susanne Robbins; "Compulsory Removal," Jesse A. Allen, Presbyterian Hospital; "Hospital Care of Tuberculous Patients," Agnes G. Ward, Metropolitan Hospital; "Nurses for Tuberculosis Employed by Municipality," Lois Davidson, Department of Health; "Children's Classes," Geneveive Wilson, Bellevue Hospital.

Evening. "Preparation for Social Service," James A. Miller, M.D., president of the Association of Tuberculosis Clinics; "Farm Colonies and Industrial Settlements," Mrs. James E. Newcomb, Stony Wold Sanitarium; "Woman's Responsibility for the Prevention of Tuberculosis," Mrs. Isabel Hampton Robb; "The Department of Health and the Tuberculosis Nurse," John S. Billings, Jr., M.D., New York Department of Health; "Some Suggestions as to the Preparation of Nurses for Special Work," Adelaide Nutting, Teachers' College; "Work of the Dispensary Nurse," Elsie Patterson, Vanderbilt Clinic; "The Visiting Dietitian as an Aid to the Undernourished Family," Winifred T. Gibbs, Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor.

MEETING OF THE NEW YORK COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The regular meeting has been postponed from January 5, to Tuesday, January 12, at 8 P.M. at Room 39, Academy of Medicine, 17 West Forty-third Street. Mr. Persons, superintendent of the Charity Organization Society, will speak on "Special Employment Bureau for the Handicapped"; Miss Wadley, of Bellevue, on "Nursing the Poor in Their Homes"; Miss Patterson of Vanderbilt Clinic on a subject to be announced.

THE FLOWER HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION will give its annual dance, on January 15 at Bretton Hall, for the purpose of raising money to endow a bed in the hospital. Tickets, one dollar.

THE NEW YORK CITY TRAINING SCHOOL, BLACKWELL'S ISLAND, graduating

exercises were held at the nurses' home on October 17. The following program was presented; Annual Report read by Miss Jane M. Pindell, superintendent of the training school. Addresses to the graduating class by Rev. Henry M. Barbour, Rector, Church of the Beloved Disciple and by Rev. D. J. McMahon, supervisor of Catholic Charities. Administration of Hippocratic oath and presentation of diplomas by Mrs. M. Cadwalader Jones, chairman, Advisory Board. Prizes were awarded by Mrs. Jones to the nurse receiving the highest general average in each class, and these prizes were presented by the commissioner, Hon. Robert W. Heberd, to the following nurses: Miss Poole, senior class; Miss Banks, intermediate class; Miss Mills, junior class. Honorable mention was awarded as follows: Misses Banks, Kline and Moore, senior class; Misses Kline, Apgar and M. Kennedy, intermediate class; Miss Gallagher, junior class. A special address by request of the graduates was made by Dr. Edward S. Peck, chairman of the Board of Examiners and life member of the alumnæ association of the school. A reception was held in Brennan Hall and dancing was enjoyed in the evening. The following nurses received their diplomas: Marion Fitzpatrick, Adelaide R. Poole, Fanny Knecht, Anna P. Poulin, Ethel Bowness, Martha Donnelly, Minnie McGaffigan, Selma S. Segerlund, Amy P. MacDonald, Rachel Jones, Emily G. Phillips, Edna C. Ewing, Eveleen E. Martin, Clara I. Wilt, Ida Moore, Florence A. Notter, Helen L. Tipping, Charity A. Pierce, Anna M. Kelley, Helena E. Keegan, Susan V. Black, Cicely M. Campbell, Georgina M. Geary, Rose M. McGonagle, Anne H. Reid, Mary E. S. McManus, Edna V. Davidson, Agnes M. Davis, Stella M. Banks, Lillian Kline, Winifred H. Robinson, Edith M. Apgar, Susan M. Nugent, Susan F. Van Norman, Mary C. Murphy, Frances R. MacKinlay, Jessie H. Brown, Josephine Johnson.

THE S. R. SMITH INFIRMARY, Staten Island, has reorganized the administration of the hospital into two clearly defined departments.

Miss R. E. Bidmead has been engaged as principal of the Nurses Training School and supervisor of nurses and will have full charge of the instruction and work of the nurses in the school and in the hospital with the coöperation of the superintendent.

The position of executive secretary has been abolished.

Miss Cadmus, as superintendent, will continue to have charge of the general administration of the hospital and being relieved of the responsibility of the training school and supervision of nurses, she will now have charge of the accounts and records of the hospital, with the assistance of a hospital clerk.

THE BROOKLYN HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL ALUMNÆ held a meeting at the training school on December 1. The principal business of the day was a discussion on how to raise money for the club-house debt. The club-house is now filled with resident members, with an increasing registry membership, and is at present self-supporting. The society is therefore anxious to wipe out the debt incurred in starting and furnishing the club-house. The suggestion of renting a theatre for a night was most popular and it was left to the Executive and Club-house Committees to arrange details for such an entertainment. In response to the question: "How many members present would be ready and willing to answer a call from the Red Cross Society, if disaster should occur in the near future?" with two exceptions the members rose to their feet, signifying their readiness to act in all great emergencies.

ANNA DAVIDS, R.N., a graduate of the Long Island College Hospital Training School, and for some years a resident of Staten Island or Brooklyn, has accepted the position of superintendent of nurses of the Charleston General Hospital, Charleston-on-the-Kanawha, West Virginia.

ANNA C. MAXWELL, R.N., superintendent of nurses of the Presbyterian Hospital, who recently tendered her resignation, has withdrawn it at the request of the board of managers.

SYRACUSE.—THE NURSES' ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION OF THE HOSPITAL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD held an adjourned meeting on December 3 at the Waverly Avenue Nurses' home. Arrangements were completed for a birthday party to be held at the County Hospital, on the invitation of Miss Arvilla E. Everingham, superintendent of the hospital. After other routine business, a paper on "Red Cross Work," written by Miss Pindell for the New York State convention, was read. It is hoped that the nurses of this section may become better acquainted and more interested in the splendid work of this organization. On December 7, two carry-alls of nurses and friends enjoyed Miss Everingham's hospitality at the birthday party and passed a very merry evening.

ROCHESTER.—THE ROCHESTER HOMOEOPATHIC HOSPITAL is to have a new nurses' home through the generosity of Mr. Eastman. The fund of \$60,000 for its erection was given by Mr. Eastman in memory of his mother.

ITHACA.—THE CITY HOSPITAL NURSES gave a very attractive bazaar at which \$536 was made. The annual report of the hospital shows that through the active interest of its supporters the receipts exceeded the expenditures, although of 554 patients cared for, only 107 paid a sum sufficient to cover the actual average of cost. The work of the hospital has greatly increased and more room is needed for patients, nurses, and employees.

UTICA.—BERTHA IRONS, class of 1905, Faxon Hospital, has been appointed superintendent of the Little Falls Hospital, Little Falls. Ida Thomas, class of 1906, has been appointed superintendent of Ossining Hospital, Ossining.

NEW JERSEY.

STATE MEETING.—The New Jersey State Nurses' Association held its Semi-Annual Meeting in Plainfield, at the Y. M. C. A. building, on December 1. The meeting was called to order by Miss Dennis, first vice-president, in the unavoidable absence of Ellen Connington, president, and the secretary's place was also filled by Miss M. Squire. After the reading of the minutes and roll call, further business was suspended, and a brief address was listened to from the Rev. Dr. MacCrae who took as his subject the Mention of *Nurses* in the Bible; declaring Deborah to have been the first recorded nurse. Dr. Corbuser followed with a very interesting account of "Work in the Philippines" and when the afternoon had sufficiently darkened, stereopticon views illustrating scenes in China and conditions during the Boxer out-break were exhibited, which were of very great interest. Before these were shown, and while the light was still too strong, Miss Dock took the platform, and made her plea on the "Condition of Almshouses." Some investigations had been made in New Jersey, where it was possible, and while none were perhaps worse than in other States, it was not shown that any places were better. The nurses were urged to make a concerted effort that in, at least, one almshouse in one district, a trained nurse might be appointed. The address was

concluded by a reference to woman's suffrage, and the part that nurses could take in the movement. At a late hour business was resumed, although by that time the numbers were much diminished. The amended constitution and by-laws are still under consideration, and will not be acted on hurriedly. A plan for the division of the State into six districts is also before the Association. The Annual Meeting will be held the first Tuesday in May, the place and hour to be announced later.—HELEN STEPHEN, *Secretary*.

ORANGE.—AT THE NURSES' SETTLEMENT a course of lectures is being given in connection with the training class that is not receiving instruction in district nursing; it is open to all graduates, many of whom took advantage of the invitation to be present at the first one given by Dr. Henry A. Pulsford on "*Nursing in Contagious Diseases*." This did not deal, as might have been supposed, with the technical care of the patients; but of the pros and cons of nursing, or accepting cases of contagion, first from the nurses' point of view—why do many refuse such cases—why should they take up the profession, if they exempt so many diseases? Tuberculosis was of course included, though it was pointed out how negative the danger became, as soon as the well-trained nurse entered upon her duties, and that with a little reasonable care of her personal health, the sick-room became the safest spot in the house, owing to the sanitary precaution taken, and the current of fresh air both patient and nurse should enjoy; but it was well for the nurse to be of a bright and hopeful disposition, to cope with the depression and monotony of the disease, as well as to second the hopeful side so apt to exist in all such cases. There need be no "inherited predisposition" but owing to the oftentimes severity of cases and hard work of nursing, many nurses were apt to be run down, and "below par" so that if there had been a congenital tendency to tuberculosis, or general weakness, there might then be a condition receptive to any germ. As to personal fear in the main, he could not believe that that existed to any extent, or could be reckoned as among the causes for refusal, though there were times when throat conditions were urged as excuses, but very simple treatment of such "pockets" or other causes of susceptibility would remove even that impediment. The following dates and subjects form the schedule of the course:

December 16. "School Nursing," followed by field work, Julia Bronis, inspecting school nurse.

January 5, 1909. "Efficiency," R. D. Freeman, M.D.

Presentation of certificates to nurses in training class; Miss Mildred Wilson, Orange Training School, 1908, Mrs. Caroline Bittnes, Cape May Hospital, 1907.

January 13. "Principles of Nursing Tuberculosis," Elise Atwood, tuberculosis visiting nurse.

February 3. "Care of Infants," Palmer Potter, M.D.

February 23. "Settlement Ideals," Lilian Wald, Henry Street Settlement, New York, N. Y.

March 8. "Obstetrics," J. V. Adams, M.D.

March 12. "School Nursing," Julia Bronis.

April 7. "Principles of Relief," Jas. William, Secretary Bureau Associated Charities.

April 21. "Nursing Tuberculosis," E. Atwood.

May 6. "Red Cross," M. H. Pierson.

PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA.—THE TRAINING SCHOOL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA HOSPITAL held graduating exercises in Houston Hall on November 24. The address was by Dr. S. Weir Mitchell, who said that a course in a training school was better for a woman than a college course. He advised the nurses to try to save their money, as from ten to fifteen years is the limit of their competent working years. Dr. Mitchell said each nurse should become a member of the State Society for Graduate Nurses. The diplomas were presented by Mr. John Sailer, president of the board of managers. At the close of the exercises an informal reception was held and refreshments served. The graduates, some of whom already have responsible positions in hospitals, are, Freda W. Warden, Anna E. Leary, Anna L. Phillips, Bessie C. McLaughlin, Ida W. Anderson, Garbarella M. Wettlaufer, Lulu V. Bevan, Idah K. Beery, Sadie Barrow, Sara Rhodes, Mary M. Spears, Nora R. J. Mattis, Effie Berry, Huldah A. Peffal, Harriet A. Stem, Kathleen Gooding, Anna L. Kohl, Margaret Craig, Cecelia A. Mooney, Anna R. Crouch, Carrie G. Tyson, Alverta McKervin, Loretta Quinn, Mary A. Madden, Maud E. Moss.

THE HAHNEMANN HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES held graduating exercises in Holy Trinity Parish House on November 4. The address to the class was by Dr. H. L. Northrop, Dean of Hahnemann College. The diplomas were awarded by Charles D. Barney, president of board of trustees. Class pins were presented by Eva J. Hood, superintendent of training school.

The graduates were Fanny E. Eckert, Jess M. McKee, Kathryn Detwiler, Lillian E. Hardick, Maud C. Powley, Mabel A. Klinger, Sara R. Kulp, Louise O. Hamel, Ella L. Knight, Gretha Reiter, Mabel G. Young, Kathryn M. Burke, Margaret Hershey, Katharine R. Flynn, Emma M. Kircher. The Hahnemann Hospital Nurses' Alumnæ Association gave its annual reception to the graduating class on November 6, at the Belmont Cricket Club, from 8 to 9 P.M., followed by dancing and cards.

THE PHILADELPHIA ORTHOPEDIC HOSPITAL AND INFIRMARY FOR NERVOUS DISEASES held graduating exercises of the training school for nurses in Epiphany Chapel Parish House on November 27. Addresses were made by Dr. Morris J. Lewis and Rev. Philip J. Steinmetz, Jr. A reception followed at the hospital.

GERMANTOWN.—THE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION OF THE GERMANTOWN HOSPITAL held its sixth annual meeting at the hospital on Nov. 17. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: president, Helen L. Cotter; vice-president, Edna Caley; secretary, Margaret E. Jones; treasurer, Rose Phillips. The meeting was followed by an informal tea at which the members were presented to Margaret Gordon the new superintendent of nurses. A subscription dance was given December 14 at Belfield Club by the Alumnæ Association of Germantown Hospital, for the purpose of increasing the fund to endow a room in the Private Hospital for sick nurses.

ANNA L. SCHULZE AND JANE ENGLISH, graduates of the training school of the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, have accepted the positions of superintendent and directress of nurses in the Saratoga Hospital, Saratoga Springs, N. Y. Caroline Hiltell, a graduate of the same school, is superintendent of the Robert Packer Hospital, Sayre, Pa. Anna E. Brobson, graduate of the same school, has gone to Spangler, Pa., to take charge of a new hospital, opened on January 1, The Miners Hospital of Northern Cambria.

PITTSBURG.—THE NURSES' ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION OF THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA HOSPITAL held a bazaar at the Rittenhouse on November 30 and December 1 at which they realized \$1500. This fund will be used as the contribution of the alumnae toward the new hospital buildings which are in course of erection on Friendship Park.

THE ALLEGHENY GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its annual meeting at the hospital on December 7. Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: president, Rose Corbett; vice-president, Marie Hanlin; treasurer, Catherine J. Clover; recording secretary, Lenna Mathews; corresponding secretary, Isabel Chaytor.

PUNXSUTAWNEY.—THE ADRIAN HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its semi-annual gathering at the hospital on December 3, Mrs. C. R. Stevenson, the president, presiding. Three new members were enrolled. Several important items of business were discussed but action on them was held over, as there was a small attendance. It was decided that at the annual meeting, the first Wednesday in June, a banquet would be given at the home of Mrs. Stevenson in Adrian.

ADA JONES, class 1907, Allegheny General Hospital, has been confined to the hospital for a number of weeks with an attack of appendicitis. Nellie Wright, class 1902, is in Atlantic City recuperating after a long illness. Jennie Brown, class 1908, has just recovered from an operation for appendicitis.

ELIZABETH SHEA, graduate of the Erie County Hospital of Buffalo, is doing graduate work in the operating rooms of the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, where Victoria E. Armstrong, also a graduate of Erie County, holds the position of assistant directress of nurses. Marie Eldred Logan, class of 1908, Western Pennsylvania Hospital, has received an appointment in the Army Nurse Corps, and left Pittsburg, December 12, to report at the Presidio, San Francisco.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—THE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION OF THE GARFIELD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, at the November meeting, held a reunion of all graduates of the school, about fifty being present. Some of these are not members of the alumnae association but will join later.

THE ALUMNÆ OF THE TRAINING SCHOOL OF PROVIDENCE HOSPITAL celebrated their first reunion with what proved to be a most delightful entertainment at the hospital on November 30. Members from distant States were present, resident nurses, pupils, the resident and visiting medical staffs, invited guests, over two hundred in all. The guests were welcomed by Miss Sullivan of Massachusetts. The first portion of the entertainment was a vaudeville, with music and readings. After this a buffet luncheon was served, followed by dancing. It has been decided to make this an annual function.

THE COLUMBIAN WOMEN of the George Washington University have extended a most cordial invitation to the nurses to co-operate with them in making a success the movement they have already started to make the Woman's Building, 1536 I Street, a meeting place for women of thought and action. In order to centre this interest they have decided to serve tea every afternoon (except Sunday) from 3.30 to 5.30, at a nominal charge. It is hoped that every nurse in Washington will be interested in this movement.

THE CENTRAL REGISTRY FOR NURSES is making most gratifying progress. It begins its third year with a very substantial surplus in the treasury. Miss

Winner, Registrar, reports increasing interest from physicians and the public generally. Miss M. S. Hammond, R.N., graduate of the New Haven Training School has been appointed assistant Registrar for the ensuing year. The untiring efforts of Miss Winner in the work is worthy of note.

THE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION, through the courtesy of Henry A. Willard, Esquire, has had the reception rooms at the Occidental Hotel placed at its disposal for an indefinite period as a meeting place. At a meeting held there December 1, one of the most pleasing features of the occasion was an informal reception held by Mr. Willard, who is one of the oldest residents in the District and has long been noted for his interest in hospitals and training schools. Dr. Randolph gave a short talk on the important part the nurse can play in the prevention of tuberculosis, the influence she can wield as she pursues her daily avocation in her endeavor to teach people in all walks of life the proper way of living; he strongly emphasized the beneficent effect of a word of courage and sympathy to the patient suffering from this dread disease. He urged all nurses to become members of the Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis.

ANNA J. GREENLEES, R.N., has been appointed a member of the Committee on Membership, in connection with the Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis in the District of Columbia.

The ladies in charge of the Christmas Red Cross Stamp Work report an enormous sale in the District of Columbia. President-elect Taft has been again elected President of the National Red Cross Society.

EXAMINATION QUESTIONS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD

Surgical

1. How would you prepare your hands to do a surgical dressing?
2. How do you prepare instruments for use? Are all instruments treated in the same way? How do you clean them after use?
3. Give preparation of patient for 24 hours before any capital operation?
4. What are the symptoms of shock? How do they differ from those of hemorrhage? How would you treat shock until the arrival of the physician?
5. What causes pus in a wound?

Contagious

1. How would you select and prepare a room for a contagious case, such as scarlet fever or diphtheria?
2. How would you disinfect room and contents after such a case?
3. How is scarlet fever communicated? Diphtheria? Measles?
4. What are the special dangers in scarlet fever? What symptoms are you to watch for?
5. In laryngeal diphtheria what is the danger and what symptoms are you to watch for?

Materia Medica

1. What are anæsthetics; in what two ways are they most generally used; give an example of each?
2. What is meant by idiosyncrasy and demonstrate with an example?
3. What are disinfectants, antiseptics, deodorizers, hypnotics and tonics; give an example of each?
4. What are emetics; in what two ways do they act; give an example of each?
5. Give the doses of the following: Tr. opii camph.; tr. digitalis, tr. opium, tr. nux vomica, and tr. aconite.

Dietetics

1. Name four easily digested albuminoids, not including eggs and chicken?
2. Of what use are vegetables in the system?
3. Why are fruits beneficial; name the easily digested ones?
4. Name the different classes of food.
5. How would you cook rolled oats or wheat?

Medical Nursing and Emergencies

1. a. What is Normal Saline Solution?
b. At what temperature should it be given by rectum?
2. If Saline Solution is given for shock by rectum, how should it be given?
3. a. Give the causes of bedsores and precautions taken to prevent them?
b. After bedsores occur what treatment should be given by nurse?
4. When extremities are cold and temperature high which bath is preferable, warm or cold? Why so?
5. Outline the nursing care of patient suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis.
6. Give two causes of abscesses from hypodermic injections and treatment to guard against them.
7. What immediate precautions against infection would you take in case of animal and insect bites?
8. State the simplest way to produce vomiting so essential in case of poisoning.
9. a. In what stage of typhoid are hemorrhages apt to occur?
b. What are the symptoms of perforation and treatment while awaiting the arrival of doctor?
10. Outline a nurse's duty in case of a fatal termination.

Obstetrics and Gynecology

1. If patient in puerperium, having been in normal condition for the first three or four days after confinement, should suddenly complain of headache and a feeling of chilliness with temperature rising to 103° or higher, what might this indicate? What would be a nurse's first duty under these circumstances?
2. What is the usual length of time required for the generative organs to regain their normal size and condition following confinement?
3. In drying up the milk what care should the breasts receive and what diet would you give the patient?
4. What disease of the breasts is most apt to follow labor, and what measures would you adopt to prevent it?
5. How should a patient be prepared for instrumental delivery?
6. What do you understand by placenta prævia?
7. How is the fetus nourished?
8. Under normal conditions how soon should a cord be ligated? Give your reasons?
9. Give diet and after-care in abdominal operation.
10. What can you do for nausea and vomiting following an operation?

Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene

1. Classify the bones of the body according to their shape. Give an example of each and locate same?
2. a. Name the varieties of muscular tissue, and give examples.
b. Name two serous membranes and locate each?

3. a. What is the dorsal cavity and what does it contain?
b. Name divisions of the brain?
4. What vessels convey the blood from the lungs to the heart? In what particulars do they differ from other vessels carrying blood to the heart?
5. Name the digestive juices and the action of each?
6. State briefly how the products of digestion are conveyed to the blood?
7. Define absorption—assimilation—cohesion—excretion—secretion?
8. Of what is pure air composed? What are the characteristics of expired air?
9. Mention some of the sources of impure air in the sick room and how they may be lessened or avoided?
10. At what temperature would you ordinarily keep a sick room? Of what advantage is a fire-place.

MARYLAND

BALTIMORE.—THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND NURSES' ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its regular quarterly meeting at the Nurses' Home, 21 North Carey Street, on December 7. The principal subject for discussion was an endowment fund for nurses. The following officers were elected: president, Mary E. Bradbury; first vice-president, Elizabeth Read; second vice-president, Alice F. Bell; secretary, Mary E. Grimes; treasurer, Mrs. Nathan Winslow; members of executive board, E. Roby, Fannie B. Daniel. After the meeting the members were served with a luncheon provided by the matron, Mrs. Aiken.

THE BARNARD ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its fall meeting on November 14, at the Biedler and Sellman Hospital. There was a good attendance. Following the reading of the minutes, several amendments were made. A letter from Drs. Biedler and Sellman was read by the secretary, in which they, as successors of the Barnard Hospital Training School for Nurses, extended a most cordial invitation to the Barnard Alumnae Association to affiliate with the Biedler and Sellman Hospital Training School for Nurses Alumnae Association. A rising vote of thanks was tendered the physicians. It was moved the letter be put on file, and the secretary write a note of thanks to them for their cordial invitation. It was unanimously voted to extend an invitation to them to become honorary members of the Alumnae Association. An invitation was also extended to Dr. Geo. W. De Hoff (resident physician of the hospital) who has always been interested in the success of the nurses. It was unanimously agreed upon that the Alumnae give Dr. Barnard a gift as a token of their high respect and regard for him, and the appreciation of the care with which he guided his nurses during their training. A committee was appointed to make the selection of a gift. It was decided to have a sale of the articles the nurses have been collecting for some months, on December 2, at the Biedler and Sellman Hospital, the proceeds to go toward furnishing an Alumnae Room. The five story addition to the hospital that has been under erection the past year, is now completed, allowing, in all, a hundred beds. The building has been erected with much care; beautifully equipped with the most modern conveniences. The operating room is finished in heavy marble, reaching nearly to the ceiling. The hospital is one of the most desirably situated in the city, as it is on the main boulevard. The president appointed committees to take charge of the sale. A rising vote of thanks was tendered Miss P. A. Burting, superintendent of the training school, for her untiring efforts and great assistance rendered the Alumnae during the past year. After adjournment a collation was served by the physicians of the hospital.

WEST VIRGINIA

HUNTINGTON.—THE CABELL COUNTY BRANCH of the West Virginia State Association met at the C. and O. Hospital on December 7. The subject of district nursing and free dispensary, with ways and means for their support was discussed. The graduate nurses of Huntington hope to perfect an arrangement in the near future, by which a graduate nurse may be employed all the time to do district work for the Huntington poor. Officers for the Cabell County branch will be elected on the first Monday in January, for 1909.

NAOMI A. SIMMONS has become superintendent of nurses at the Kessler Hospital and Sanitarium.

OHIO

DAYTON.—THE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION OF DAYTON AND VICINITY held its regular meeting at the Memorial Home of the Miami Valley Hospital, November 18. Katherine Roush, who has recently returned from Panama, read an interesting paper on the work and conditions there.

CINCINNATI.—THE JEWISH HOSPITAL ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its regular meeting on December 4 at the nurses' home, the vice-president, Miss Roberts, presiding. A beautiful letter from the president, Mrs. Ilsen, was read and appreciated by all. The members also enjoyed a paper by Miss E. M. Pierce on "The Need of the Alumnæ Association." An interesting feature of the meeting was the tea given in honor of this year's graduates, who were welcomed into the association and presented with the alumnæ badge and the program for the ensuing year.

CLEVELAND.—THE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION at the monthly meeting held in the "Benjamin Parlor" of the Young Women's Christian Association, December 8, unanimously carried a vote heartily approving the plan of reorganization of the Associated Alumnæ and the Superintendents' Society as outlined in the December number of the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING.

ILLINOIS

CHICAGO.—MARY J. FINLAYSON, Post-graduate Hospital, has taken charge of the Copper Queen Hospital, Bisbee, Arizona.

THE ILLINOIS TRAINING SCHOOL will tender a New Year's reception to all graduates at the home on January 6, from 3 to 5 p.m. All graduates are cordially invited to attend. Ida Napper, class of 1908, is a head nurse; Roberta Muhs, class of 1907, is head nurse of the receiving ward; and Mina Theile, class of 1905, head nurse of the obstetrical department of Cook County Hospital. Mary Watson, class of 1902, is assisting Miss Johnson in the Contagious Hospital. Jane Stoker, 1895, who has been in the west for several years, has returned to Chicago and has taken up private duty.

COLORADO

DENVER.—MARY B. EYRE, Secretary of the Colorado State Board of Nurse Examiners, was recently appointed anæsthetist of St. Luke's Hospital, Denver, Colo. The entire surgical staff approved the appointment, and the position is to be a permanent one. Annie Florence and Miss Collier have for some time been acting as anæsthetists for two or three of Denver's best surgeons. Three hospitals besides St. Luke's have agreed to admit nurses as anæsthetists.

MINNIE GOODNOW has resigned from the position of supervising nurse of the Park Avenue Hospital to take the superintendency of the Bronson Hospital, Kalamazoo, Michigan. Maud Cline of Longmont Hospital, Longmont, is to succeed Miss Goodnow. Miss Morris, chief nurse of St. Luke's Hospital, has resigned her position to become superintendent of a hospital at Fort Worth, Texas. She is succeeded by Miss Slack.

COLORADO SPRINGS.—THE NURSES' REGISTRY ASSOCIATION has moved from the Deaconess' Hospital to the D. Y. Butcher drug-store, where calls are answered night and day. It has been received into membership by the Associated Alumnae and hopes to send a delegate to the next convention. At a recent meeting a committee was appointed to investigate the establishment of a registry started by an experienced nurse, at a local drug-store, who represents her nurses as being members of the Red Cross Society. An effort was made to start work on getting a representative on the State Board of Nurse Examiners to fill the vacancy occurring in April, but was deferred until January meeting. The association has been having very instructive lessons in parliamentary law by Professor Dubach.

TEXAS

ANNOUNCEMENT.—The annual meeting of the Graduate Nurses' Association of Texas, which had been set for the first Wednesday in February, 1909, at Austin, has been postponed to a later date. The exact time and place will be announced thirty days before the meeting in our official organ, *THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING*. By order of the president, MILDRED M. MCKNIGHT, secretary-treasurer.

GALVESTON.—LINA HILL, John Sealy Hospital, is in charge of the sanitarium at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, Bryan. Edna Titsworth, class of 1908, John Sealy Hospital, is in charge of the infirmary at Austin. Nannie Tipton, class of 1908, John Sealy Hospital, has charge of the sanitarium at Nacogdoches.

CANADA

TORONTO.—AN ERROR occurred in the report concerning the officers appointed by the Canadian National Association, viz., the secretary-treasurer is Flora Madeline Shaw, Montreal General Hospital, instead of Miss Matheson, as previously reported. Miss Shaw is a niece of Miss Joan Matheson a graduate of Bellevue Hospital, which may account for the error.

THE "FAIR OF ALL NATIONS" held by THE NURSES' CLUB of Toronto, was opened by Sir Mortimer and Lady Clark. This Fair was composed of graduates from all hospitals connected with the central registry in this city, and was held in Massey Hall November 12 to 14. It was a very great success indeed, and when all expenses are paid will probably leave them with about three thousand dollars in the bank. The purpose of this fête was to raise funds towards the purchase of a nurses' club house. On the last evening the "march past" consisted not only of the occupants of the various booths, dressed in the costume of the countries they represented, but also of about four hundred nurses dressed in the uniform of the various training schools in the city. Among these were one hundred nurses from the training school of the Toronto General Hospital. The only unfortunate feature of this great Fair was the fact that the crowds were so immense as to prevent access to the various booths containing wares from all nations, consequently the promoters have still a large quantity of material to

be disposed of. Since the closing of the Fair a number of checks have been received, notably one from Mrs. Timothy Eaton for five hundred dollars.

Miss SNIVELY and nurses gave a dance in the nurses' residence on December 11.

WELLAND, ONTARIO.—A new hospital of thirty beds will be opened in the near future. The appointment for superintendent has not yet been made.

BIRTHS

AT Washington, D. C., a son to Mrs. Henry Ash. Mrs. Ash was Ella F. Jacobs, class of 1896, Garfield Memorial Hospital.

AT Syracuse, N. Y., a son to Mrs. George Jenkins. Mrs. Jenkins was Edith Jolley, class of 1904, Hospital of the Good Shepherd.

AT Mexico, N. Y., a son to Mrs. Allen K. Hart. Mrs. Hart was Georgiana Watson, class of 1905, Hospital of the Good Shepherd.

IN August, 1908, at Chadwick, N. Y., a son to Mrs. Edwin Griffith. Mrs. Griffith is a graduate of Faxton Hospital, Utica, N. Y., class of 1906.

ON October 21, at Washington, D. C., a daughter to Mrs. William I. Deming. Mrs. Deming was Alice M. Fitzhugh, class of 1904, Garfield Memorial Hospital.

MARRIAGES

ON November 10, at Davisville, Ontario, Berta Brydon, class of 1907, Toronto General Hospital, to Harold F. Richie.

ON December 10, at Ashland, Kentucky, Louise D. Milton, class of 1900, University of Maryland Hospital, to Mr. Anxier.

IN September, 1908, at Chillicothe, Texas, Mrs. Mary S. Brituelle, class of 1907, John Sealy Hospital, Galveston, to Jess Dale.

IN November, 1908, Antonia Böttcher, class of 1900, Faxton Hospital, Utica, N. Y., to Louis A. Glouckner, of Dallas, Texas.

ON November 18, Helena Merriam, graduate of the Memorial Hospital, Niagara Falls, N. Y., to Homer Genung, M.D., of Freeville, N. Y.

ON December 2, Bertha P. Rodgers, class of 1907, Western Pennsylvania Hospital, to William Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Jones will live in Sharon, Pa.

ON November 18, at Carmichael, Pa., Bessie J. Stephenson, class of 1906, Allegheny General Hospital, to Rev. Frank M. Patterson, of Greensboro, Pa.

ON September 7, at North Brookfield, Mass., Annie E. Doyle, class of 1906, Boston City Hospital, to William A. Gilson. Mr. and Mrs. Gilson will live at Nahant, Mass.

ON November 26 Maud Fowler, class of 1903, Homœopathic Hospital, Washington, D. C., to Ralph Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Jones will live at The Ashburne, Washington.

ON December 5, Blanche Wilcox, class of 1904, Homœopathic Hospital, Washington, D. C., to Robert Sonnen. Mr. and Mrs. Sonnen will live at 749 Newton Place, Washington.

ON November 4, at Atkinson, Kansas, Mrs. Ellen Keene, class of 1897, Indianapolis City Hospital, to Frank Wilkinson of New Castle, Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson sailed on November 6 for Huelva, Spain, where Mr. Wilkinson will be employed for two years.

DEATHS

AT her home in Cross Creek, Pa., Mrs. W. Craig Lee, formerly Mary Taylor, class of 1898, Allegheny General Hospital.

IN August, 1908, at the Austin Sanitarium, Austin, Texas, Urala Weyland, class of 1908, John Sealy Hospital, Galveston.

ON December 4, at Prairie Du Lac, Wisconsin, of pneumonia, Mrs. Moore, who was Miss B. S. Blachly, class of 1894, Illinois Training School.

SUDDENLY, Janet Hale, class of 1892, University of Maryland Hospital. She was buried at Raleigh, North Carolina. Miss Hale had a noble character, was devoted to her profession, gifted with personal magnetism, and was esteemed by all who knew her. Her associates feel that they have lost a valued and honored member of the association.

ON November 27, at the Mary Hitchcock Hospital, Hanover, New Hampshire, of tubercular peritonitis, Persis Plummer. Miss Plummer was a graduate of the Massachusetts General Hospital, where she was head nurse for a time, afterward doing private nursing. She had been a great sufferer for years, but was always cheerful and of good courage.

ON December 3, at Dansville, N. Y., Mary Ellen Welch, assistant superintendent of Jackson Sanatorium Training School for Nurses, died as a result of shock following an operation. She was a devout Christian and devoted to her profession and had proved herself of exceptional ability and charming personality. Her memory will be an enduring inspiration in the minds of those with whom she had been associated. The funeral and interment were at Olean, New York.

ON October 14, at her home in London, Ontario, Rebecca J. Evans, graduate of St. Luke's Hospital Training School, New York. Miss Evans was graduated from the hospital in 1895, and within a few months entered the office of Dr. William T. Bull, as secretary and office nurse, where she remained until a few weeks before her death. She was a woman of marked loyalty and honor and of unusual ability and earnestness of purpose. A large circle of friends deeply mourn her loss.
